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September 11, 2008

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RE:

Request for Extension – Interim Trail Use

Delaware & Hudson Railway Company, Inc. d/b/a Canadian Pacific Railway

Abandonment - Albany County, NY STB Docket No AB-159 (Sub-No 23X)

Dear Mr. Williams:

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As you are aware, the Surface Transportation Board had granted Albany County an extension until September 29, 2008 to finalize the acquisition negotiation process in connection with the above referenced matter

On September 9, 2008 the Albany County Legislature authorized me to, on behalf of the County, enter into a contract to purchase sought to be abandoned right-of-way for rail trail use, which it is anticipated will be executed within 45 days and close by the Fall of 2009.

Under the circumstances, it is respectfully requested that the Board grant a further extension until October 31, 2008 for this purpose. I have been advised that the Delaware & Hudson Railway Company, Inc. has no objection to this request.

Thanking you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation in this regard.

Very truly yours,

Mıchael G. Breslın Albany County Executive

cc: W. Karl Hansen, Esq., Leonard, Street and Deinard (counsel for D&H Railway Co., Inc.) John Privitera, Esq., McNamee, Titus & Williams (counsel for Scenic Hudson)